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[CLAIM 15] (Currently amended) Electromagnetic propulsion devices comprising: a barrel: a cavity therein which extends the length of said barrel and having: 4 a breech end opening at one end and 5 a muzzle end opening at the other barrel end and 6 a central axis which extends from said [[breach]] breech end opening to said muzzle end 7 opening ,and 8 a uniform right section profile to said central axis throughout said cavity [[and]]; and 9 a first barrel rail and a second barrel rail and said barrel rails are: 10 power rails, and 11 parallel to said cavity axis one another, and 12 located in said barrel cavity's wall, and 13 electrically insulated from direct electrical continuity with each other, and 14 each said barrel power rail has: 15 continuous barrel cavity surface along its length, and 16 connection means at its breach end to outside said barrel for attachment to a power 17 source; and 18 a wall conductor assembly comprised of: 19 a barrel bus that is: 20 located outside said barrel cavity, and 21 electrically insulated from direct electrical continuity with said barrel power rails, and 22 located along the same length of the barrel as said barrel power rails[[,]]; and 23 a plurality of wall conductors that are: 24 located outside said barrel cavity, and 25 parallel to one another, and 26 oriented orthogonal said barrel cavity axis, and 27 separated from one another, and

distributed along the length of said barrel bus, and

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Patent Examiner: Bret C. Haves Art Group 3644 29 each said wall conductor of said plurality of wall conductors: 30 is a continuous insulated conductor between its ends, and 31 has electrical continuity at one end with said barrel bus, and 32 includes between its ends a coil that: 33 circumscribes the barrel cavity one or more times, and 34 circumscribes the barrel cavity in the same direction from said barrel bus 35 as all other wall conductor coils of said plurality of wall conductors; and 36 contact means for each wall conductor of said plurality of wall conductors that: 37 is located proximal the end of said wall conductor that is distal said wall conductor's end 38 with said barrel bus continuity, and 39 has electrical continuity with said wall conductor's barrel bus distal end, and 40 extends through a mating opening in the barrel cavity wall and 41 has surface in the barrel cavity; and 42 armatures for propulsion through said barrel cavity and 43 each said armature has: 44 a central axis that is, with said armature in said barrel cavity, coincident the central axis 45 of said cavity or close and parallel said axis, and 46 a muzzle end that is, with said armature in said barrel cavity, the armature's end closest 47 to said cavity's muzzle end, and 48 a breech end that is, with said armature in said barrel cavity, the armature's end closest 49 to said cavity's breech end, and 50 all right section profiles to said central axis smaller than said barrel cavity's right section 51 profile, and 52 a permanent magnet that is: 53 polarized in the direction of said armature axis, and 54 located midway between said armature's muzzle and [[breach]] breech ends, and 55 a forward current shunt that: 56 is located in the surface of said armature and near the muzzle end of said armature, and 57 has surface that, with said armature in said barrel cavity, is at and has continuous electrical 58 continuity the cavity surface of said first barrel power rail, and said continuity is sliding 59 electrical continuity with armature movement in the barrel cavity, and

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armature movement in the barrel cavity, and said forward current shunt of an armature in the barrel cavity is electrically insulated from direct electrical continuity with said second barrel power rail, and

said wall conductor assembly has additionally, with an armature in said barrel cavity,

forward wall conductors comprised of:

the group of one or more consecutive wall conductors of said wall conductor assembly whose contact means at any instant have said electrical continuity with said forward current shunt surface at said contact means; and

said forward current shunt of an armature in said barrel cavity,

via said shunt's continuous electrical continuity with said first power rail and said shunt's continuous electrical continuity with said forward wall conductors of said wall conductor assembly,

maintains continuous electrical continuity between said first barrel power rail and said forward wall conductors, and,

with power supplied by an outside power supply to said power rails via said connection means of said rails.

maintains a current path between said first power rail, and said forward wall conductors; and an aft current shunt that:

is located in the surface of said armature and near the breech end of said armature, and with said armature in said barrel cavity,

has surface with continuous electrical continuity with the cavity surface of said second barrel power rail and

has surface at and with continuous electrical continuity with said contact means of said wall conductor assembly at the instant barrel cavity location of said shunt surface and said continuity is sliding continuity with armature movement in the barrel cavity, and said aft current shunt is electrically insulated from direct electrical continuity with said first barrel power rail[[,]]; and

said wall conductor assembly has additionally, with said armature in said barrel cavity,

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a reversible electric motors wherein:

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[Claim 16] (Previously presented) Electromagnetic propulsion devices as claimed in claim 15 used as

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February 24, 2006 Claims Amendment #2 Inventor: Joseph Franklin Frasca Patent Examiner: Bret C. Hayes Art Group 3644 3 one of said armatures is retained in the barrel cavity for bidirectional movement therein; and 4 said armature has additionally power take-off means; and 5 the direction of said armature's barrel cavity traverse is reversed by reversing the polarities of 6 said barrel power rails with reference to each other so that: 7 the magnetic fields of the current in said forward wall conductors interact with the 8 armature's magnet creating forces of repulsion on said magnet, and 9 the magnetic fields of the current in said aft wall conductors interact with the 10 armature's magnet creating forces of attraction on said magnet, and 11 said forces of attraction and repulsion on the armature's magnet have cavity axis parallel, [[breach]] breech directed components which propel the armature through the barrel cavity 12 13 [[from]] in the muzzle to breech direction. 1 [CLAIM 17] (Currently amended) Electromagnetic propulsion devices comprising: 2 a barrel; and 3 a cavity therein which extends the length of said barrel and having: 4 a breech end opening at one end and 5 a muzzle end opening at the other barrel end and 6 a central axis which extends from said breech [[breach]] end opening to said muzzle end 7 opening and 8 a uniform right section profile to said central axis throughout said cavity; and 9 two pairs of barrel rails not both the same and said barrel rails are: 10 power rails, and 11 parallel to said cavity axis one another, and 12 located in said barrel cavity's wall, and 13 located along the same length of the barrel, and 14 electrically insulated from direct electrical continuity with each other, and 15 each said barrel power rail has: 16 continuous barrel cavity surface along its length and 17 power connection means at its breach end to outside said barrel for attachment to an 18 outside power source; and 19 a wall conductor assembly comprised of:

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20	a barrel bus that is:
21	located outside said barrel cavity, and
22	electrically insulated from direct electrical continuity with said barrel power rails, and
23	located along the same length of the barrel as said power rails; and
24	a plurality of wall conductors that are:
25	located outside said barrel cavity, and
26	parallel to one another, and
27	oriented orthogonal said barrel cavity axis, and
28	separated from one another, and
29	distributed along the length of said barrel bus, and
30	each wall conductor of said plurality of wall conductors:
31	is a continuous insulated conductor between its ends, and
32	has electrical continuity at one end with said barrel bus, and
33	includes between its ends a coil that:
34	circumscribes the barrel cavity one or more times, and
35	circumscribes the barrel cavity in the same direction from said barrel bus as all
36	other wall conductor coils of said plurality of wall conductors; and
37	contact means for each wall conductor of said plurality of wall conductors that:
38	is located proximal the end of said wall conductor that is distal said wall conductor's end
39	with said barrel bus continuity, and
40	has electrical continuity with said wall conductor's barrel bus distal end, and
41	extends through a mating opening in the barrel cavity wall and
42	has surface in the barrel cavity; and
43	armatures for propulsion through said barrel cavity and each said armature has:
44	a central axis that is, with said armature in said barrel cavity, coincident the central axis
45	of said cavity or very close and parallel said axis, and
46	a muzzle end that is, with said armature in said barrel cavity, the armature's end
47	closest said cavity's muzzle end, and
48	a breech end that is, with said armature in said barrel cavity, the armature's end
49	closest said cavity's breech end, and
50	all right section profiles to said axis smaller than said barrel cavity's right section profile,

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31	and a portion of said profiles like said barrel cavity's right section profile but slightly
52	undersized thereof; and
53	a propulsion bus that includes between its ends a coil which circumscribes the armature
54	axis one or more times, and, that is:
55	a continuous insulated conductor between its ends, and
56	located midway between the armature's muzzle and breech ends, and
57	oriented orthogonal said armature's central axis, and
58	located in said armature where said cavity's right section profile and said armature's
59	right section profiles are similar, and
60	located within said armature, in, at or proximal said armature's surface, that in said
61	barrel cavity, is proximal said cavity's surface, and
62	said propulsion bus, with said armature in said barrel cavity, has:
63	at one end, surface with continuous electrical continuity with the cavity surface of
64	one of said barrel power rails that is proximal said propulsion bus end and
65	said electrical continuity is continuous sliding electrical continuity with movemen
66	of said armature in the barrel cavity, and
67	at its other end, surface with continuous electrical continuity with the cavity
68	surface of a second of said barrel power rails that is proximal said other end
69	and said electrical continuity is continuous sliding electrical continuity with
70	movement of said armature in said barrel cavity; and
71	a forward current shunt that:
72	is located in said armature's surface between said propulsion bus and said
73	armature's muzzle end and,
74	has surface that, with said armature in said barrel cavity, is at and has continuous
75	electrical continuity with the cavity surface of one of said barrel power rails, and
76	said continuity is sliding electrical continuity with armature movement in the
77	barrel cavity, and
78	has surface that, with said armature in said barrel cavity, is at and has continuous
79	electrical continuity with said contact means of said wall conductor assembly at
80	the instant barrel cavity location of said shunt surface and said continuity is
81	sliding electrical continuity with armature movement in the barrel cavity, and

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82 said forward current shunt of an armature in the barrel cavity is electrically insulated 83 from direct electrical continuity with the remaining barrel power rails[[,]]; and said wall conductor assembly has additionally, with an armature in said barrel cavity, 84 85 forward wall conductors comprised of: 86 the group of one or more consecutive wall conductors of said wall conductor assembly 87 whose contact means at any instant have said electrical continuity with said forward 88 current shunt surface at said contact means; and 89 said forward current shunt of an armature in said barrel cavity. 90 via said shunt's continuous electrical continuity with said power rail and said 91 shunt's continuous electrical continuity with said forward wall conductors of said 92 wall conductor assembly, 93 maintains continuous electrical continuity between said barrel power rail and said 94 forward wall conductors, and, 95 with power supplied by an outside power supply to said power rails, 96 maintains a current path between said barrel power rail, and said forward wall 97 conductors: 98 each said armatures also has an aft current shunt that: 99 is located in the armature's surface between the propulsion bus and the breech end 100 of said armature, and 101 with said armature in said barrel cavity, 102 has surface that ; with said armature in said barrel cavity, is at and has continuous 103 electrical continuity with the cavity surface of a barrel power rail that: 104 does not have direct electrical continuity with said forward current shunt, and 105 does not have direct electrical continuity with the propulsion bus when said 106 propulsion bus and said forward current shunt have direct electrical 107 continuity with the cavity surface of the same barrel power rail, and 108 has surface that, with said armature in said barrel cavity, is at and has continuous 109 electrical continuity with said contact means of said wall conductor assembly at 110 the instant barrel cavity location of said shunt surface and said continuity is sliding 111 electrical continuity with armature movement in the barrel cavity, and 112 said aft current shunt of an armature in the barrel cavity is electrically insulated from direct

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electrical continuity with the other said barrel power rails; and 113 114 said wall conductor assembly has additionally, with an armature in said barrel cavity, 115 aft wall conductors comprised of: 116 the group of one or more consecutive wall conductors of said wall conductor assembly whose contact means at any instant have said electrical continuity with said aft current shunt 117 118 surface at said contact means; and said aft current shunt of an armature in the barrel cavity, 119 120 via said shunt's continuous electrical continuity with said barrel power rail and said 121 shunt's continuous electrical continuity with said aft wall conductors of said wall 122 conductor assembly, maintains continuous electrical continuity between said barrel power rail and said aft 123 124 wall conductors, and, 125 with power supplied by an outside power supply to said power rails, 126 maintains a current path between said barrel power rail, and said aft wall conductors; and said barrel bus of said wall conductor assembly, with an armature in said barrel cavity, 127 128 provides continuous electrical continuity between said forward wall conductors and 129 said aft wall conductors of said wall conductor assembly and 130 with power supplied by an outside power supply to said power rails, 131 provides a current path between said forward wall conductors and said aft wall 132 conductors; and 133 wherein, with an armature in said barrel cavity, and 134 with power supplied by an outside power source to: 135 said connection means of the power rail with said electrical continuity with said forward 136 current shunt, and 137 said connection means of the power rail with said electrical continuity with said aft 138 current shunt, and with power supplied by an outside power source to: 139 140 said connection means of the power rail with said electrical continuity with one end of 141 said propulsion bus, and 142 said connection means of the power rail with continuous electrical continuity with the 143 other end of said propulsion bus, and

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Patent Examiner: Bret C. Haves Art Group 3644 144 the polarity of said connections arranged so that: 145 the magnetic fields of current in said forward walls conductors interact with the current in 146 said propulsion bus creating forces in said propulsion bus with cavity axis parallel, muzzle 147 directed components, and 148 the magnetic fields of current in said aft wall conductors interact with the current in said 149 propulsion bus creating forces in said propulsion bus with cavity axis parallel, muzzle 150 directed components, and 151 said cavity axis parallel, muzzle directed force components, propel the armature through the 152 barrel cavity from breech to muzzle. [CLAIM 18] (Previously presented) Electromagnetic propulsion devices as claimed in claim 17 2 wherein said barrel cavity has a twist so that: 3 consecutive right sections at constant axial increments through said barrel cavity have a 4 constant rate of angular rotation about said cavity's axis; and 5 armatures for use in said barrel cavity have a twist so that: 6 consecutive right sections at constant axial increments through each said armature has the 7 same constant rate of angular rotation about said armature's axis as said cavity's and 8 said twist imparts rotation to said armatures during their barrel cavity traverse. 1 [CLAIM 19] (Currently amended) Electromagnetic propulsion devices as claimed in claim 17 used 2 as a reversible electric motors wherein: 3 one of said armatures is retained for reversible movement in said barrel cavity, and 4 said armature has additionally a power take-off means, and 5 wherein the direction of said armature's barrel cavity traverse is reversed by reversing 6 the polarities with respect to each other of: 7 said power rail with continuous electrical continuity with said forward current shunt and 8 said power rail with continuous electrical continuity with said aft current shunt, 9 or of 10 said power rail with continuous electrical continuity with one end of said propulsion bus 11 12 said power rail with continuous electrical continuity with the other end of said 13 propulsion bus,

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14 so that: 15 the magnetic fields of current in said forward wall conductors interact with said armature's 16 propulsion bus current creating forces in said propulsion bus with cavity axis parallel, 17 breech directed components, and 18 the magnetic fields of current in said aft wall conductors interact with said armature's 19 propulsion bus current creating forces in said propulsion bus with cavity axis parallel, 20 [[breach]] breech directed components, and said cavity axis parallel, breech directed force components propel the armature through the 21 22 barrel cavity in a muzzle to breech direction. [CLAIM 20] (Previously presented) Electromagnetic propulsion devices as claimed in claim 19 2 wherein each said barrel cavity has a twist so that: 3 consecutive right sections at constant axial increments through said barrel have a constant 4 rate of angular rotation about said cavity's axis; and 5 said armatures for use in said barrel cavity have a twist so that: 6 consecutive right sections at constant axial increments through said armatures have the same 7 constant rate of angular rotation about said armature's axis and 8 said twist imparts rotation to said armatures during their barrel cavity traverse. 1 [CLAIM 21] (Previously presented) Electromagnetic propulsion devices as claimed in claim 17 2 wherein said two pairs of barrel power rails not both the same, is comprised of four separate barrel 3 power rails and 4 one power rail of the first pair of power rails has continuous electrical continuity with said 5 forward current shunt of an armature in said barrel cavity and 6 the second power rail of the first pair of power rails has continuous electrical continuity with 7 said aft current shunt of an armature in said barrel cavity, and 8 one power rail of the second pair of power rails has continuous electrical continuity with one 9 end of said propulsion bus of an armature in said barrel cavity, and 10 the second power rail of the second pair of power rails has continuous electrical continuity 11 with the other end of said propulsion bus of an armature in said barrel cavity. [CLAIM 22] (Previously presented) Electromagnetic propulsion devices as claimed in claim 21 1 2 wherein said barrel cavity has a twist so that:

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Patent Examiner: Bret C. Hayes Art Group 3644 3 consecutive right sections taken at constant axial increments through the barrel have a constant 4 rate of angular rotation about the cavity axis; and 5 armatures for use in said barrel cavity have a twist so that: 6 consecutive right sections taken at constant axial increments through said armatures have 7 the same constant rate of angular rotation about the armature axis as said barrel and 8 said twist imparts rotation to said armatures during their barrel cavity traverse. 1 [CLAIM 23] (Currently amended) Electromagnetic propulsion devices as claimed in claim 21, used 2 as a reversible electric motor wherein: 3 one of said armatures is retained for reversible movement in said barrel cavity, and 4 said armature has additionally power take-off means, and 5 wherein the direction of the armature's barrel cavity traverse is reversed by reversing the power 6 rail polarities with reference to each other in one of said two pairs of power rails so that: 7 the magnetic fields of current in said forward wall conductors interact with the armature's 8 propulsion bus current creating forces in the propulsion bus with cavity axis parallel, 9 breech directed components, and 10 the magnetic fields of current in said aft wall conductors interact with the armature's 11 propulsion bus current creating forces in the propulsion bus with cavity axis parallel, 12 [[breach]] breech directed components, and 13 said cavity axis parallel, breech directed force components propel said armature in said barrel cavity in [[-a]] the muzzle towards breech direction. 14 [CLAIM 24] (Previously presented) Electromagnetic propulsion devices as claimed in claim 23 wherein the barrel cavity has a twist so that: consecutive right sections through the barrel have a constant rate of angular rotation about the cavity axis per unit axis distance; and armatures for use in said barrel cavity have a twist so that: consecutive right sections through said armatures have the same constant rate of angular rotation about the armature axis per unit axis distance; and said twist imparts rotation to said armature during their barrel cavity traverse. 1 [CLAIM 25] (Currently amended) Electromagnetic propulsion devices comprising: 2 a barrel;

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3 a cavity therein which extends the length of said barrel and having: 4 a breech end opening at one end and 5 a muzzle end opening at the other barrel end and 6 a central axis which extends from said [[breach]] breech end opening to said muzzle end 7 opening and 8 a uniform right section profile to said central axis throughout said cavity; and 9 two barrel rails which are: 10 power rails, and 11 parallel to said cavity axis, to one another and 12 located in said barrel cavity's wall, and 13 electrically insulated from direct electrical continuity with each other, and 14 each said power rail has: 15 continuous barrel cavity surface along its length and 16 connection means at its breach end to outside said barrel for attachment to a power source; and 17 a wall conductor assembly comprised of: 18 a barrel bus that is: 19 located outside of said barrel cavity, and 20 electrically insulated from direct electrical continuity with said barrel power rails, and located along the same length of the barrel as said power rails; and 21 22 a plurality of wall conductors that are: 23 located outside of said barrel cavity, and 24 oriented orthogonal said barrel cavity axis, and 25 parallel to one another, and 26 separated from one another, and distributed along the length of said barrel bus, and 27 each wall conductor of said wall conductor plurality: 28 29 is a continuous insulated conductor between its ends, and has electrical continuity at one end with said barrel bus, and 30 includes between its ends a coil that: 31 32 circumscribes the barrel cavity one or more times and circumscribes the barrel cavity in the same direction from said continuity with said 33

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34	barrel bus as all other wall conductor coils of said plurality of wall conductors; and
35	contact means for each wall conductor of said plurality of wall conductor that:
36	is located proximal the end of said wall conductor that is distal said wall conductor's end
37	with said barrel bus continuity, and
38	has continuous electrical continuity with said wall conductor's barrel bus distal end, and
39	extends through a mating opening in the barrel cavity wall and
40	has surface in the barrel cavity; and
41	armatures for propulsion through said barrel cavity and
42	each said armature has:
43	a central axis that is, with said armature in said barrel cavity, coincident the central axis
44	of said cavity or very close and parallel the cavity central axis, and
45	a muzzle end that is, with said armature in said barrel cavity, the armature's end
46	closest the cavity's muzzle end, and
47	a breech end that is, with said armature in said barrel cavity, the armature's end
48	closest the cavity's breech end, and
49	all right section profiles to said axis smaller than said barrel cavity's right section profile, and
50	a portion of said profiles like said barrel cavity's right section profile but slightly undersized
51	thereof; and
52	a propulsion bus that is:
53	a continuous insulated conductor between its ends, and
54	located midway between said armature's muzzle and breech ends, and
55	oriented orthogonal said armature's central axis, and
56	located in said armature where said cavity's right section profile and said armature's
57	right section profiles are similar, and
58	located within said armature, in, at or proximal said armature's surface that in said
59	barrel cavity is proximal said cavity's surface, and
60	that includes between its ends a coil which circumscribes said armature axis one or more
61	times, and
62	that has, with said armature in said barrel cavity,
63	surface at one end with continuous electrical continuity with said cavity surface of
64	one of said power rails and with armature movement in said barrel cavity said

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provides a current path between said forward wall conductors and said aft wall conductors; and

with power supplied by an outside power supply to said power rails,

said propulsion bus-aft shunt circuit means is comprised:

an electric current bus in said armature that is located:

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Patent Examiner: Bret C. Hayes Art Group 3644 127 proximal said current shunts therein, and 128 between and connecting the end of said propulsion bus distal 129 said propulsion bus's end with said power rail continuity and said aft current shunt; and 130 wherein with power supplied to the power rails by an outside power supply so that: 131 the magnetic fields of current in said forward wall conductors interact with the current in said 132 propulsion bus creating forces in said propulsion bus with cavity axis parallel, muzzle 133 directed components, and 134 the magnetic fields current in said aft wall conductors interact with the current in said 135 propulsion bus creating forces in said propulsion bus with cavity axis parallel, muzzle 136 directed components, and 137 said cavity axis parallel, muzzle directed force components, propel the armature through the 138 barrel cavity from breech to muzzle. [CLAIM 26] (Previously presented) Electromagnetic propulsion devices as claimed in claim 25 1 wherein said barrel cavity has a twist so that consecutive right sections through the barrel have a constant rate of angular rotation per unit cavity axis distance about said cavity axis; and 3 4 said armatures for use in said barrel cavity have a twist so that consecutive right sections 5 through said armatures have the same constant rate of angular rotation per unit axis 6 about the armature axis; and said twist imparts rotation to said armatures during their traverse 7 from said barrel cavity's breech to muzzle. ì [Claim 27] (Previously presented) Electromagnetic propulsion devices as claimed in claim 25 but wherein said propulsion bus-aft shunt circuit means is comprised: 2 3 a third barrel rail that: 4 is located in said barrel wall, and 5 has continuous barrel cavity surface along its length, and 6 is electrically isolated from said barrel power rails, 7 is parallel said barrel power rails, and 8 is located along the same barrel cavity length as said power rails; and 9 additional surface on said propulsion bus that is: 10 proximal said bus's end that is distal said bus's end with power rail continuity, and 11 that, with said armature in said barrel cavity,

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Patent Application 10/710,469 <u>Claims Amendment #2</u> of February 24, 2006 Closing Comments

Dear Sirs:

This is an amendment corrects numerous errors and short comings of the new claims submitted in the claim amendment #1 of February 21, 2006.

- 1) In designs with a twist the power rails etc. change directions with axil distance and the cavity axis dose not; i.e. they are no longer parallel. For the independent claims to be applicable in the twist claims, the expression "...parallel to said cavity's axis.." is changed to "... parallel to each other...". Therefore, line 11 of claims 15, 17 and 25 is changed from "...parallel to said cavity axis,..." to "... parallel to each other,...", in the forgoing claims amendment.
- 2) Unlike rial guns, the directions of currents in the power rails of the topic invention are of little importance; therefore, a power rail's connection to outside the barrel can be anyplace along the rail and the restrictive clause "... at its breach end..." in line 16 of claim 15, and line 17 of claim 17 and line 16 of claim 25 is deleted in the forgoing claims amendment.
- 3) Numerous misspellings, unneeded redundancies, and punctuation errors are corrected in the forgoing claims amendment including:

In claim 15 line 7 the extra 'and' before the semicolon is removed.

In claim 15 line 22 of "... rails, and..." is replaced by "... rails; and...."

In claim 15 lines 96 & 98 "...said power rail..." is modified to "... said second power rail..."

In claim 16 line13 of '...from the muzzle to breech. ..' is changed to '...in the muzzle to breach direction."

In claim 17 line 54 "... times, and, is:..." is changed to "... time, and, that is: ..."

In claim 17 lines 102 & 108 the redundant phrase "... with said armature in the barrel cavity,..." is removed.

In claim 23 line 14 "...cavity in a muzzle ..." is changed to "... cavity in the muzzle..."

In claim 17 line 69 "....continuity movement..." is changed to "... continuity with movment..."

- 4)In the current amendment the strikeout of the word "breach" may not be easily seen and therefore the word is double bracketed; e.g. breech [[breach]].
- 5) Additional corrections not discussed above are noted in the text of the forgoing amendment. Thank you for your attention.

Respectively,

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